

U.S. 14th Armored Division  
Combat Command A  
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January 1-31, 1945

Organization: CC "A", 14th Armored Div 445

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
To: 010001 Jan 1945  
Place: 012400 Jan 1945

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
			0115	Tele	G-3 XV Corps: 106 Cav Gp rptd C/A just before 2400 approx 75 men. 44 Div rptd C/A about 0015. 2 (Flaxon) inf rptd strength of 4 cos. 1 (Flaxon) enemy strength of 1 co. (Flapjack) Inf Regt rptd enemy of unknown strength.	S
0545	0549	1	0615	Tele	XV Corps: Alert for movement by daylight	S T
	0630			Msg	C-125: Atch 1 plat to each of 48 and 68	S T
	0730			Tele	501, 48 and 68: Bn Comdr prepared to report to this hq on call	T S
	0745			Tele	48 and 68: Notified that C/A was in progress on ctr and left of Corps Sector, told to have officer ready for phone call & to await further orders.	S T
	0730			Tele	48 and 68: MPs on alert to report to leading Bn to mark route of CCA	S T
	0815			Oral	C-125: C-125(-) follow 48 to assy area - DIEMERINGEN prep to block specified routes in general area between 40 northing against mvt by enemy armor	S T
0835				Tele	G-3 XV Corps: Establish and maintain at once counter recon screen E of SARRE R to Corps R Boundary S of MAGINOT LINE to detect infiltration of enemy armor elms & take means to destroy them. Screen will be maintained until further O from this hq. Rpt to this hq when screen is in position.	S T
	0910			Tele	Trans O XV Corps: Ask clearance on rds. Ashwiller-Durstel-Adamswiller-Diemeringen to Rahling	S T
0930				Tele	G-3 XV Corps: Routes approved. Exempt traffic regulation	S T
	0915			Oral	68 & C-94(-) move via DURSTEL, ADAMSWILLER, DIEMERINGEN to assy area via RAHLING. C-94 atchd and will by O of this hq join tail of coln.	S T
					501: Move so as to follow 68 without distance, via rd DRULINGEN-ADAMSWILLER-LORENZEN to readiness position via BUTTEN, prepared to support elms of CCA in the destruction of enemy armor which is found to have infiltrated into psns along or S of Maginot Line.	
					68: Mission: Establish and maintain at once observation screen along line: Hill 7446-ENCHEBERG-BINING-SINGLING-ACHEN-WITTRING. Holding a strongly reinforced co in res. initially to detect & destroy infiltration of any armor thru assigned area.	



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IN	OUT					
1045				Ln Off	48: Follow Hq CCA without distance, move to assembly area Diemeringen-Lorentzen prepared to attack and destroy several small gps. Simultaneously or larger gp of enemy armor, usings its fullstrength against the latter. Wherever such enemy armor may be located between E bdry XV Corps and Saare R. Maintain agents with 68 Hq at Rahling, to obtain immediate information of enemy armor infiltration.	
	1100			Ln Off	G-3 XV Corps: Ren of the routes Lorenzen Tieffenbach-Wingen-Ingwiller-Mulhausen and of the route Durlingen Lehr-Schoerbourg RJ at (686223) Dossenheim-Neuwiller-Niedersoultzbach-Ingwiller.	
			1100		C-125: Charge with ren of the routes in above message.	
			1245		CP closed Siewiller 1030.	
1300		2	1230	Radio	CP opened Diemeringen.	
1800		3	1555	Ln Off	68: Hd elm left 0941 arrived 1155. Major Biasella charge with biv ren, CCA units.	SFC
	1615	4	1530	Tele	48: Closed in vic 591392 at 1545.	SFC
	1700	5	1630	Ln Off	XV Corps: CCA observat on screen at 1330	FC
					XV Corps & 14 AD: Sitrep period ending 011600A	F
1535		7	1535	Ln Off	68: Position occupied at 1455.	F
	1630		1630	Oral	68: (Lt Post) Instructions issued for Inf to dig in deep for preparation against enemy arty fires.	TF
1635				Ln Off	501: Closed in area.	
	1845		1830		CCA: Unit commanders meeting.	
			1845	Tele	G-3 14 AD: Gen Smith on way to VI Corps, will contact us direct to give us instructions.	
	1900			Oral	48: A-68 remains with 48 until ordered otherwise.	TSF
1925	2000	8		Comdrs	CCA OI #16 issued to unit commanders	TSCF
2200		9		Ln O	G-94: OP forced to withdraw	SF
2350				Tele	B-136: Remain present location Hangwiller until 14 AD notifies them to move (G-4 1st)	
	2200	10		Ln O	Operations Instructions #17 issued.	TPS
2330				Tele	XV Corps: Advised route of CCA approved. Permission to cut intervals in half between march unit and march serial if desirable.	



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Organization "Ma GUA", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 020001 January 1945  
To : 022400 January 1945  
Place: Bouxwiller, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0916					CO CCL 2 DB visited CP re: Relieving CCA position.	
	1030		0916 1030	Ln Off Tele	48: Crossed IP at 0916. XV Corps: CP closed Diemeringen 1030	CSD
	1600		0900 1400		Relief of CCA by 2 DB effected . CCA CP opened Bouxwiller at 1400.	
	1700		1600 1700	Ln Off Comdr	All units: CO gave boundaries of CCA Operation Instructions #18 issued	DSFT
1655				Ln Off	68: Closed in bivouac vic Nieldsoultzbach	
1850				Ln Off	501: Closed in bivouac vic Riedheim.	
2030				Ln Off	C-94: Submitted plan for defense Boux- willer outposts in position 2030.	S
	2335			Ln Off	501: Alerted to move at dawn under Div Arty control.	ST
			2045 2215		48: Closed CP at 785249. 48: Cuposta and patrols est. 2200.	SD
2230						



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**From:** 030001 January 1945

**To :** 032400 January 1945

**Place:** Bouxwiller, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTP.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0830	13	0830	Magr	48, 68 & C-94: Instr to lighten security during daylight hrs. 00 to visit units and make run.	FST
1100	0900					
	1000		1000	TP	C-125: Revert to Bn control (fr G-3)	
1210		14	1230	Ln 0	G-3 14: 48 relieved by 45 Div. Move to Imbsheim-Reidheim-Griesbach	
1630		16	1500		48: Closed in Reidsheim 1445 Biv guides left run of area Dannelbourg-Luizelbourg-Henridorf	
	1800					



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Organization Hq CC"A", 14th Armd Div AF 146

From: 040001 January 1945

To : 042400 January 1945

Place: ouville, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0150			0100	Tele	G-3 14 AD: Periodic report. 79 Div has withdrawn to occupy Maginot line in their sector/ Unit Comdrs and Staff Meeting: 68 motor patrol to contact friendly forces vic Wingen every 2 hrs & to Dossenheim every 3 hrs. Patrols made up of 2 vehicles (100 yds interval) and will be on alert.	
			1545	Oral		



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From: 050001 January 1945  
To : 052400 January 1945  
Place: Rouviller, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1015	0805				GO left CP to visit 48 and 68.	
0830				Tele	G-3 14: Alert Trp C for possible return to squadron.	ST
1300				Tele	G-4 14: Trp C removed from alert and will remain with CCA.	ST
1440	1315				GO left for Div Briefing.	
1605	1830			Oral	Staff and Lu Officers briefing.	



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 Organization Hq CC "A", 14th Arm Div AP 44

From: 080001 January 1945

To : 082400 January 1945

Place: Hoelschoch, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS. MESSAGES. ORDERS. ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0700			0600	Ln O	68: C6 C-827 TD's closed in 68 assay area at 0600.	
	1450	28	1430	Ln O's	48 and 68: Instruction for ren of psns to be conducted 8 Jan.	
	1800	29		Ln O	C-94: Withdraw observation screen for nite	
	2215		2215	Ln O	Have screen in psn againt at 0500 9 Jan 45 48 and 68: Instruction for ren of psns to be conducted 9 January 1945.	



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From: 070001 January 1945

To : 072400 January 1945

Place: Soultz, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0440	18	0400	Oral	CCA CP opened vic Soultz at 0400. All Units: Oral instructions for camouflage and recon.	
		19	0530		CCA closed in assy area at 0530. S-3 Report No. #6 issued. CO attended meeting TF Wahl	
0900	0900			Oral	Unit commanders meeting. Plan A initiated.	
0930	1000			Tele	48: 1 Med Tk Co to 2nd Bn 315	
1400	1315	21			CO attended meeting TF Wahl.	
1630	1450				CO left for Task Force Wahl.	
			1525		CP CCA closed at Soultz	
1630			1530	Oral	CP CCA opened Hoelschloch at 1530.	
1815				Tele	CO returned from TF Wahl with orders that C-827 TD was assigned this command. TF Wahl: Requests that C-94 be withdrawn from recon screen tonight and return 0700 8 Jan.	
	1825	22	1820	Msgr	C-94: withdraw observation screen for night.	SFT
	2315	23		Msgr	C-04P Ordered to put screen out 0500.	
	2315	24		Ln O	68: Alert Bn for mvt. C-48 may revert to 48.	SFT
	2315	25		Ln O	48: Alert Bn for movement.	SFT
	2315	26		Ln O	48: A-48 to bn control. Obser mission to E	
2400		27		Tele	G-3 14: S-3 report no. 7.	



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**To :** 082400 January 1945

**Place:** Hoelschoch, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS. MESSAGES. ORDERS. ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0700			0600	Ln O	68: C6 C-827 TD's closed in 68 assy area at 0600.	
	1450	28	1430	Ln O's	48 and 68: Instruction for ren of psns to be conducted 8 Jan.	
	1800	29		Ln O	C-94: Withdraw observation screen for nite	
	2215		2215	Ln O	Have screen in psn againt at 0500 9 Jan 45 48 and 68: Instruction for ren of psns to be conducted 9 January 1945.	



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 Organization HQ CCA, 74th Armd Div APO 446

From: 060001 January 1945  
 To : 062100 January 1945  
 Place: Bouxwiller, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1145		17		Ln O	68 & 48: Instructions for movement on one hour notice by day and 2 1/2 hr by night.	ST
1610		17A	1600	Tele	68: Relief of 68 by B-94 completed at 160	SD
1500				Tele	G-3 14: Informed CCA of possibility of execution of Plan 6.	
	1900			Tele & Ln O	All units: Alerted for mvt to Surbourg area. 500 atchd at 1530	
	2145			Oral	All Units: March order issued for mvt to vic Soultz. Mvmt to begin at 2245.	
2100				Tele	G-3 14: Routes of march clear. CCA atchd to 79th Inf Div.	
	1910				CO left for 79 Div CP for instructions re: atchmt of CCA	
2130				Tele	CO called and ordered mvt to begin as soon as possible.	
			2235		CP CCA closed Bouxwiller.	



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To : ~~000001 January 1945~~  
Place: ~~002400 January 1945~~  
~~Moulschbach, France~~

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0615			Ln O	68: Alert to be ready for mvt to SE 0815 A-48 alert on overwatching position re: counterattack plan E.	ST
0620			0620	Tele	TF Wahl: Information that counterattack at 183355 and a little N and W thereof. Ap- parently has been contained short of MLR	S
	0635			Tele	600: Informed of counterattack.	
0655				Tele	TF Wahl: Overwatching tks considered suf- ficient. C/atk in hand. Evy arty fire on c/atk while forming apparently broke it up. 3-315 receivin some mortar fire on their	S
	0755			Tele-	RI flank.	
	0755			Tele	48: Notified A 48 to move to firing psn N of Hatten and continue over watch mission Not to become engaged in front line action unless enemy is pushing.	ST
	0830			Tele	68: Immediate alert, status rescinded and on to continue of assigned mission ready to move on 1 hr notice.	ST
1130				Tele	48: A-48 completed mvt back to overwatch position.	S
1435	1320				CO CCA to visit TF Wahl CP.	
	1435	30		Tele	C-94: Ren by plat of routes to Soufflen- heim.	ST
	1435		1435	Oral	68: Co 827 relieved atchmt 68 and report to Major McCouchen.	ST
	1437			Oral	A-68: Alerted mvt E await O's present loc	ST
1500				Tele	TF Wahl: 48 attached to 315 inf	
	1540			Msgr	C-125: Ordered to repair bridge 115398	ST
1650			1650	Tele	48: A-48 knocked out 6 enemy tks vic Bittershoffen.	
1700		31	1801	Msgr	48: Closed in area 1550.	ST
	1745	32	1745	Ln O	C-94: Withdraw observation posts N of K (excl)	ST
1747		33	1640	Msgr	48: A & C cos continuing atk to aid inf est MLR	
	1830	34	1830	Ln O	C-94: Reestablish OP's N of K(excl) at 0500 10 January 1945.	
1831			1831	Ln O	Plat C-94 reptd result of ren to Soufflen- heim.	
	1919	35	1850	Ln O & Msgr	All Units: Display of vehicle identifi- cation panels	
	1916		1916	Tele	68: at 0600 10 Jan unit will be on 30 min alert for employment in any direction.	
	1916		1916	Msgr	A-68: at 0600 10 Jan unit will be on 1 hr alert for employment in any direction.	



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**Organization Hq CC"A", 14th Armd Div A 446**

From: 100001 January 1945

To : 102400 January 1945

Place: Hoelschloch, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS. MESSAGES. ORDERS. ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0115			0045	Tele	A-48 relief complete assembled at Rittershoffen 0200 and resupply began at 0045. Four disabled which any tks which ey was attempting to evacuate set afire.	
1015	1017		1000	Tele	48: A-48 ey atk (inf-tks) N of Hatten between Hatten and Rittershoffen, under control.	
	1020		1020	Tele	68: Put on immediate alert for movement on CCA order.	
	1030		1030	Tele	48: (-C) move at once to OBERBTSCHDORF	ST
1107		40	1105	Msg	48: Head of col moving out	S
1233		39	1205	Msg	48: Closed in new area at 1150.	
1245			1245	Tele	TF Wahl: Approved Maj Cavin recommendation for attachment of Inf Bn for c/atk by 48 to restore MLR at Hatten.	
	1248		1248	Tele	48: Was informed that TF Wahl has atchd Inf Bn to 48. 48 will drop Inf Bn on MLR for digging in, 48 will use some Lt Tks to protect S flank from SA and &MG of infiltration of ey inf. Arty support arranged by TF on woods & Stundwiller-Asbach area.	
	1345			Tele	68: C-48 move at once to KUHLENDORF passes to control of 48 upon reaching KUHLENDORF.	ST
	1350			Tele	48: C-48 moves to KUHLENDORF where it passes to your control Employ it, if necessary, particularly if ey armored reaction to yo r attack should occur.	
1355	1355			Tele	C-125(-) send 2 1/2 ton truck and crew to sand road SW of Rittershoffen.	
1425				Tele	C-48: Cleared soultz at 1410.	
	1720	41	1710	Ln O	A-68(-): Alert co to move at once to Leiterswiller. Report to CO 3-313 for instructions.	
	1800		1800	Ex Off	A-68: Ex O visited A-68 with detailed instructions of move.	
1908		42	1740	Ln O	48: Front lines a 173320, 172337, 173344. CO 48 ordered withdrawal at 1740 Bn (*A&C) to Surbourg, A to Soultz, C to Rittershoffen.	
	1730		1730	Ln O	C-94: Withdraw ren screen execept outposts vic of Hatten. Outpost vic at Hatten withdrawn at 1900. To establish screen by 0500 11 January 1945.	
2000				Tele	A-48: Closed in Soultz 1940	
	2000			Tele	68: 10 minute alert cancelled. Bn will be ready to move on 30 min notice at 0700 11 January 1945.	



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From: 100001 January 1945

To : 102400 January 1945

Place: Hoelschloch, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
2200	2205	43	2100	Msgr	48: Closed vic Surbourg at 2100.	
2230			2230		TF Wahl: Bridge at 134265 completed 1630A class 40 tons. Prepared for demolitions.	
	2335			Tele	68: Instr for Opns 11 Jan. Occupy defen Pos at Kuhlendorf, alert to move E of Hermerswiller.	
	2330			Oral	48 & 68: 68 hd of clm to be at Kuhlendorf to occupy def position. Alert to move E Hermerswiller. Md Tk Co remain in Soultz. at 0730 48 including A on 30 min alert. C-48 E of Rittershoffen remain during nite. A-48 may operate under 48 may go to E flank of 68. 500 came under direct control. CO returned from TF Wahl.	
2400	2300			Tele	A-68: Closed in assy area.	



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To : 112400 January 1945  
Place: Hoelschloch & Kuhlendorf

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0020		0020		All Units: Coordinates of friendly mine field: 147393, 153893, 147385, 153385. Coordinates of friendly mines to be laid 11 January 150392, 152380, 155375.	
0743		44	0715	Radio	68: Cln closed Kuhlendorf area 0625.	STF
	1036	45	1030		CCA ddv CP opened Surbourg.	
			1036	Ln O	48&68: 48 will hold positions strongly via Rittershoofe preventing both any armor&inf from moving to W or NW. 68 complete its defensive psns preventing any movement to W or NW past both bns. Be prepared for hy any armored atk that is likely to come any time today. Both bns make plans for c/atk to E and SE. Bdry between bns to be WE 34 grid line. This c/atk will be launched on ly on orders from this hq.	
	1111	46		Ln O	68: A-68 will be returned to 68 shortly. It will be used as Bn Res. Make plans to use	STF
		47	1010	Radio	48: Situation and intentions of 48.	
		48	1125	Ln O	48: Situation as of 1122.	
1100		49	1009	Radio	48: Have lost 4 mediums.	S
1115		50	0928	Radio	48: C co reports patrols active Rittershoffen. Repulsed by atk at 0730.	
1438	1438	51	1438	Ln O	C-94: Insturction for atk at 1545.	
	1400	52	1400	Ln O	68 & 48: Atk orders issued for 1545.	
			1600		CP: Opened Kuhlendorf: Closed Surbourg-Hoelschloch	
	1700	53	1700	Ln O	68: Orders for night operation.	
	1730	54	1730	Ln O	48: Orders for night operation.	
	2345	55		Ln O & Comdrs	All Units: Operations for 12 Jann ry 1945 issued.	



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Organization Hq CG "A", 14th Armd Div PO 446From: 120001 January 1945To : 122400 January 1945Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0800				Tele	48 and 68: Atk launched on time.	SD
0823		57	0812		48: Emplaced tks firing on first objective receiving no enemy fire.	
0840	1000				CO left CP to visit 68 and 48.	
0853			0830	Tele	48: Front line 160336. Tk turned over 161329	
	0855		0855	Tele	48 and 68: Ordered to push ren patrols aggressively to East.	
0900		58	0900	Tele	68: Front line location.	
0930			0930	Tele	C-94: Plat closed in Hohwiller at 0845.	
	0800	59	0100	Ln O	S-3 Report #11 distributed.	
1005		60	0943	Radio	48: Enemy strong point at 160336. Infantry getting small arms fire and arty. We are flank position from S (at 1005 Ln Officer returned with information that Inf was withdrawing from strong point)	
1025			1000	Radio	48: Inf withdrawing due to heavy arty fire	
1030		61			TF Wahl: Instr to CCA and conditions to develop for committing balance 14 AD.	
1045	1100	62			14 AD: CCA passes to 14 AD control 1130. 68 assigned mission protecting CCB R S flank. CCB attacks 1130.	
	1040	63	1031	Radio	48: Destroy church steeple in Rittershoffen. Use fire from W to guard other units. At 1120 mission transferred to 68 due to 48 unable to maneuver into position.	
1210	1215		1210	Tele	68: Church steeple knocked off in Rittershoffen.	STD
	1225	64		Ln O	68: Send patrol to contact 315 elms in Rittershoffen.	
1415	1305				CO left CP to visit 48.	
1325	1315				CG 14th Armd Div visited CP	
1515	1425				CO left CP to visit 68.	
1600	1620				CG 14th Armd Div visited CP	
1625	1625			Oral	48: CG 14th AD directed Lt Tk co to move immediately to restore MLR moving S of RR S of Rittershoffen and Hatten.	



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From: 130001 Jan 1945  
To : 132400 Jan 1945  
Place: KUHLENDORF, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS. MESSAGES. ORDERS. ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0810			0800	Tele	68: Attack jumped off on time.	D S
0815			0800	Tele	48: Attack jumped off on time.	D S
0830			0830	Tele	68: Attack moving slowly.	S
0835			0830	Tele	48: Report smoke screen laid.	S
0850			0850	Tele	C-94: Platoons closed in Hohwiller 0850	D S
0855			0855	Tele	68: Progressing slowly under S/A, MG and some mortar fire.	D S
0900			0900	Ln O	CCR: Crossed LD 0800 to RL #2 0845. No resistance	S
0920			0920	Tele	48: Reports unit has passed thru successfully with few casualties. They are receiving littel fire.	
0925			0925	Tele	68: CCR 300 yds from objective	D S
0928			0858	Tele	G-3 14th AD: CCR ready to assault objective 0852. 16 P47s to drop supplies in HATTEN	T S
0930			0930	Tele	C-48: Moving fwd with inf slowly	D S
	0935		0935	Tele	48: Enemy MGS at 156341 covering KUHLENDORF Rd mueltralize or destroy.	T
0940			0940	Tele	68: Reached point 100 yds S of CP #1(ctr) meeting heavy resistance (S/A & Mortar)	D
0943			0943	Tele	48: Leading elements 161337.	D S
	0945		0945	Tele	68 and 48: 16 P47s to drop supplies over Hatten at 1000.	T
	0950		0950	Tele	S-315: Report progress	T
0955			0955	Tele	48: 1 medim tank hit by AT Guns	D S
1000			1000	Tele	68: 1 enemy tank hit 4 times by out tank no-effect. 1 enemy H/T destroyed when hit	D S
1003		65	0931	Radio	48: Present situation of CCR.	F
1010		66	0933	Radio	48: Co C moving cautiously fwd on his mission.	F
1015			1015	Tele	68: Road Kuhlendorf-Rittershoffen clear. 1/4 ton and H/T made round trip.	T D
1020			1020	Tle	48: CCR near edge of Hatten receiving hvy fire possibly C/Atk. Progressing slowly.	D
1058			1058	Tele	48: Inf reports German tks in RITTERS-HOFFEN. Indication is that they will try to make run along rd to East	D
1127		67	1047	Radio	48: Neared SE of town. We lost 1 tank near strong point. Every thing in position to complete big mission.	D F
	1117	68	1117	Ln O	68: Mission for CO 68.	F T
1145				Ln O	68: CCR pinned down by Hvy Arty fire. They have lost 1 light tank.	D
1142		69	1137	Radio	48: Have lost 1 light tank.	D
1205	1208		1205	Tle	48: Jet plane over Niederbwtshdorf dropped 2 bombs. (G-2 notified)	D T
1220		70	1220	Radio	S-315: Leading elements at 15983379. No progress made in East Section of sector.	S
1230		71	1230	Tel & Radio	48: Light tank plat will be dispatched, etc	F T



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Organization Hq CG "A", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 130001 January 1945

To : 132400 January 1945

Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1240			1240	Ln Off	68; Two enemy tanks destroyed via Bn CP (Otr) #1. (C-2 notified)	S D
	1310	72	1310	Ln Off	48 and 68; Make plans for possible enemy counter attack.	T F
1330	1340				CG 14th Armd Div visited Command Post	
1332			1332	Tele	3-315; Situation same as of 1220.	S D
1505		73	1445	Radio	3-315; No progress. Mission 3 sending Plat W to pt N and E to pt "Y". Tank and auto fire hvy. Unit on right reports no progress.	S F
1531		74	1530	Radio	3-315; Unit on left unable to hold pt #4, platoon was not sent around. No change.	S F
	1600	75	1600	Radio	3-315 and 48; Push attack East. 68 is approximately N edge of town and has captured two german tanks at 158340.	S T F
1635				Telo	G-4 14th AD; Availability of WP grenade for rifle or carbine, pack carry flame thrower, and tank flame thrower.	S
	1745	76	1730	Ln O	48, 68 and 3-315; Instruction for night.	S F T
2115			2115	Tele	48; Reported enemy counterattack coming W from Hatten at 2115A.	S D T
2115			2115	Tele	68; Arty fired on moving tank in Rittershoffen and set on tank on fire. Firing another mission for same purpose. Rptd enemy tanks using flame throwers.	S D
	2200	77	2200	Oral	48, 68, 3-315, C-94 and C-125. Oral instructions issued for attack 14 January 45	T D S
	2210			Tele	CCB; Notified to alert one Hq Co, 1 tk co and 1 rifle co. Rn comdr to report to CP	S T D
50	2235	78		Tele	3-315; Enemy flame throwing tks are reported, unconfirmed, broken through lines of "L" company.	S D
2238				Radio	48; Reported at 2238 things are considerably more quiet at this time.	S D T
2240	2245			Oral	C-125; CO reported and received instructions in regard to counterattack measures to be taken in event of enemy penetration	S T
2240	2248			Oral	C-94; Ordered to set up observation screen	S T D
2240				Radio	68; A-48 ko'd a kraut tk coming from E in to Rittershoffen.	
2240	2243			Radio	3-315; Ey successful in breaking thru line	S T D
				Tele	48; Informed of break through in 3-315, told to follow it and bring arty down in W & S of town if penetration goes thru	S T D
2245			2245	Oral	3-315; Ln officer told to order reports every five minutes of what the enemy has actually gotten through the line	S T
			2245	Ln O	68; No more enemy activity in town. Defensive in tact.	S T D



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Organization Hq CCA, 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 130001 January 1945

To : 132400 January 1945

Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
2245			2241	Radio	68: No more activity in town. Quiet. De-	S D T
2255				Oral	25: CO 25 reported to hq and received oral	S T
	2258			Tele	Div Arty: Request arty fire on 16173369 &	S T
2302				Ln Off	trail N of Rittershoffen-Hatten Road. 68: 100 rds AG (75) HE fuze quick, 50 rds	S D
					81mm in N of town, all observed. Landed	
					exactly on enemy defenses ko'd 1 tk, 3 tks	
2309				Tele	ko'd by tk-inf team. Action partially	
2315				Tele	ceased. Rd W from Rittershoffen is clear.	S D
	2335		2331	Tele	TF Wahl: Gen Wahl phoned to suggest patrols	S D
					48: No activity in last 20 minutes.	S D
					G-3: CO CCA has received CCR's disposition	S D
					and they seem well disposed along to Nieder-	
					betschdorf at 2331	
2332		79		Radio	48: Receiving intense fire at 2320. Count-	D S
	2336			Msgr	ering with same.	
2335				Ln O	C-94: Plat move to est ren screen	T S
					68: Enemy H/T moving from Hatten to Rit-	D S T
2337	2340	90		Tele	tershoffen since our arty stopped. Appar-	
					ently not on rd.	
2343				Ln O	48: Enemy tks moving W Hatten to Ritters-	D S T
	2344			Ln O	hoffen at 2331.	
					3-315: Lines holding, though have moved	D S T
					back a little. 2 enemy tanks ko'd.	
					3-315: Moving tks and vehicles from E.	ST
					Lay mines in your streets. Use bazookas.	
					Check position of your TDs. Congratulation	
					on 2 tks ko'd.	
2345		81	2341	Radio	68: Lines still intact 2341.	S D T
2345				Radio	48: Nothing new to report.	S D T
	2350		2350	Ln Off	3-315: More tks and vehicles reported from	
					E.	
2400			2351	Radio	48: No change.	S D T
2400			2357	Radio	68: No change.	S D T



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Organization: Hq. CG "A", 14th Armd Div AF 446

From: 140001 January 1945  
To : 142400 January 1945  
Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0001	0008			Radio	68: (Intercept arty in o w/48) Enemy tks moving NE from Hatten.	D S
0016	0038		0010	Radio	68: No change.	D S T
0015	0038		0005	Radio	48: No change.	D S T
0023				Radio	3-315: Attack made by tks carrying inf with flame throwers. Strength unknown. Proceeded with 3 to 5 minute arty preparation	D S T
0027				Oral	C-94: Ron screen established. All negative	S
0030				Oral	3-315: Same as our msg 0023 and so far as can be determined our losses were few.	S
	0038			Oral	25: CO 25 notified 25 has just be released from alert. Ln O remain CCA CP. Recommend 0630 for substantially a bn. Col Watson offers to have his bn ready 0630. This has been accepted by this hq.	S D
0035				Tele	68: Enemy tanks moving SW into town at 185343 at 0035	S D
0058				Radio	48: Nothing new.	
0104			2358	Radio	3-315: Situation in hand. Lines built up as of 1800. Enemy vehicles active in vic of church. Have quantity of arty W falling to S at 156335.	S D
0112				Radio	48: Nothing new.	
	0020			Ln O's	48, 3-315 and 68: Congratulations, etc, watch security, look for changed AT gun positions in the morning.	
	0015			Msgr	O's concerned: Officers on 2 rds to detect enemy penetration recalled.	
	0116			Oral	C-94: Reestablish ron screen at 0645	S T
0130			0120	Radio	68: Situation remains static. We are firing arty sporadically at same point.	S D
0143			0127	Radio	3-315: Tks firing MG's moving from NE. Much vehicle activity in NE	D S
0150				Oral	Ex Off 68 to CO CCA: No friendly vehicles ko'd. Attack by tanks and other vholes from N. Saw one flame thrower tk in rear of church. 1 tk ko'd by our tks, 4 tanks by stalking team, 1 by 500 AFA. A-48 says one probable. By 0100 action normal. Est enemy casualties about 120. A-68 says 2 tks, 2 pers carriers, and 1 SP gun. Crew of 627 TD left gun when flame thrower appeared. Crew of 3-315 manned and still is manning the TD. 68 casualties not known.	
0300				Radio	3-315: Enemy inf noisy and active. Close contact. Arty and mortar fire light. H/T came down Hatten-Rittershoffen Road.	S D



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From: 140001 January 1945

To: 142400 January 1945

Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0245	0306			Tele	3-3 14 AD: Two H/Ts with trailers will move across country into Hatten tonight through 180329 and 170332 about 0430. Units notified at 0306.	S T
	0250			Tele	Div Arty: Flashes of gun firing on Kuhlendorf spotted at 77 to 79 degrees. Div Arty called back to say Corps had 2 possible locations and would counter battery	
0303				Radio	3-315: Enemy aggressive, forcing 3-315 fr a few houses and preventing reentry.	
0404				Oral	C-125: Tk dozer will not bite. Recommend grousers or cleats to give traction.	S
0431			0340	Ln O	3-315: Tks heard S of town coming from Hatten. Placed arty on them. Right after tks were heard saw 4 green flares followed by 1 green vic of church. Still plenty of S/A fire. Told to hold not give ground or buildings.	S D T
0454				Tele	48: Requested more infantry to replace B-68. Request disapproved.	S T
0440				Tele	3-315: Reoccupied some bldgs left in "L" sector. S/A fire has let up some. Only occasionally arty.	
	0558			Tele	G-3 14th AD: Reported no new developments	D
0600			0645	Tele	3-315: Tks were heard in vic check points 8-11. Arty brought on them. Others near CP 7 & 9. No arty brought on them. Are catching some enemy arty(harrassing) but not much S/A fire.	
0805		86	0805	Tele	68: En flame thrower tk sighted near church	S
0823			0823	Tele	68: By AT guns at 158342. Bringing arty fire to bear. Friendly inf rptd N end of town. Will contact.	S
0840			0840	Tele	68: Ko'd eny flame thrower tank	S D
	0835	87	0835	Ln O	48, 68 and 3-315: Defensive mission asgd to 48, etc.	S D T
0900			0900	Tele	3-315: The bridge S side main street in 3 bn sect is burning. Fire spreading fast. 68 knocked out SP near center of town. En arty & mortar remains hvy. Have not advanced today.	S D
	0907			Msgr	C-125: AG guns returned to C-94.	S T
0910			0910	Tele	Div Arty: Rpts CCR requested arty fire on 155344. We told them friendly troops in that locality.	
	0920			Ln O	Operations Instructions #20 issued	S D T
0938			0938	Tele	62: Called to check re: rpt of arty fire requested on 155344. Confirmed friendly troops there.	
	0900	88	0900	Ln O	48, 68&3-315. Oral instructions issued	SDT



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Organization HQ CCR, 14th Arm'd Div APO 446From: 140001 January 1945  
To : 182400 January 1945  
Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0947			Ln off	48, 3-315 & 68: Rpt of approx strength to this hq by 1130.	S T
0948				Maj G.	48: "B" Co 63. Keenholz 40, This AM reorganized 20 men. 3-315: 2 off in 2 line cos 3 off in "M", cos 40 men each, Hq 80 men. 48 Tk strength. B-7, C-4, D-9, AG-4.	
	1008			Tele	Div arty: Corp arty desires to fire on AT guns 15093426. Rpt result of fire. 68 has a team after them which is receiving MG fire. 68 unable to get result of Corps fire.	
1130			1130	Tele	3-315: Hvy mortar fire. Ey tk by church painted white. Church is critical point still. Want to use 155 against it.	D S
1134			1134	Tele	48: B co effective MG fire on enemy inf at 162336.	
1130			1130	Ln off	68: Dangerous to move ahead. Flushed wood 156341 clearing road.	S
1050				Ln off	3-315: Send 155 to CP SW side of town	SDT
1320	1210		1210	Tele	Div Arty: Request for 155 for 3-315	
			1245	Ln Off	3-315: Ln off met officer in charge of M12 and guided him to BN CP Rittershoffen at 1245.	
1255				Radio	3-315: Intense enemy fire is gradually eating into front of position. Several houses formerly occupied have been burned. 48 Inf are more hindrance than help.	SF
1300				Tele:	68: Arty firing on positions believed to be occupied by enemy mortars	S
1300				Tele	68: Enemy mortar fire decreased by our arty. Enemy observed moving S in town waving red cross flag	
1340				Tele	68: Observed 2 enemy waving rd cross flag. We went out after them and the enemy fired on us. 5 enemy were spotted crossing our front. We have patrol out chasing them.	S D
1407				Tele	48: Enemy inf around R(south) flank from S toward NW. Possibly beginning of enemy attack. Putting arty fire on it.	S D
1409				Radio & Tele	3-315: Alerted for possible enemy attack.	ST
1430				Tele	48: Enemy attack increased intensity with 7 tks main junction of E of church up to church and S	S D
1437				Tele	C-94: Instructions two ron AG to Kuhlendorf to be atchd to C-125.	ST
1440				Tele	CCR: Was asked if they had anything at CCR tail end that can be easily be turned around if situation ca be helped by it. CC rpts 47 is engaged in fire supporting atk.	ST



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Organization HQ 44th Armored Div APO 446

From: 140001 January 1945

To : 142400 January 1945

Place: Eubendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	1458			Felt	CCB: 25 has alerted tk co and will alert rifle co after 1600	
1452				Ln Off	68: Has 6 tks in town and 3 outside of town	S
1450		92		Tele	3-315: Enemy inf and one tk attempted to move around rear. Situation in hand	S D
1430				Tele	68: Enemy intense hvy mortar con landing along main street. Arty, mortar positions believed to be occupied by enemy. Sighted one enemy vehicle cannot identify type.	S D
1500		93		Tele	48: Our arty, mortar and AG is pinning down sniper and MG fire. Some vehicular mvmt heard. Things are quite now.	S D
1500				Ln O	68: Intense hvy enemy mortar fire.	
1504				Tele	G-3: Counterattack on Hatten, no details- not even direction	S T
	1519			Tele	G-3: 3 lt tks ordered fwd 13 Jan AM for contact with CCR were stuck SE of R have been destroyed by our own tps. TRV's down twice, arty fire considerable.	
1514			1300	Radio	68: Hvy mortar fire intense. Our tks working on one enemy tk, our inf on another. Pat shot 2 of 4 ey.	
1516		94	1458	Radio	3-315: Situation unchanged, S/A and mortar fire.	
1522			1520	Radio	68: No change.	
1523			1520	Radio	48: No change.	
	1545	95		Ln O	68, 48, and 3-315: Organize your defenses for the night at once. 3-315 and 48 coordinate and agree on clear cut mission for ea which will be submitted to this hq by 1800	ST
	1800		1600	Tele	G-3: 48, 3-315 S/A and mortar fire.	S D
	1830	96	1630	Ln O	3-315, 48 and 68: Finework again repelling C/A R flank. Expect another tonight or early tomorrow morning.	STF
1800				Ln O	68: Unconfired rpt of 2 Mark IV and 1 Mark VI and 1 SP ko'd.	S D
2200	1930				CO left for Advance Div CP	
2345				Ln O	3-315: Plan feint demonstrations at 2309, 0217, 0606, consisting of heavy arty and S/A fire. Mine laying in streets (overlay) Defenses adequate, guns manned, men alert-inspected by Ln Officer	S
2350				Ln O	48: Planned to participate in demonstration with 3-315 by racing tank motors and firing small arms. Guard alert, security adequate Inspected by Ln Officer. Mine laying not yet begun.	



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Organization 14th Arm Div APO 446

From: 150001 January 1945

To : 152400 January 1945

Place: Kulendofr, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME D.T.D.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0110				Ln 0	68: Security measures adequate. Some outposts and sentries instructed to shoot any person moving. Ln 0 inspected some posts and found them adequate. Mine laying in progress.	
0210				Tele	G-3: Counterattack at Hatten definitely under control.	ST
0320				Oral	G-125: Mine supply arrived at 0145. Two supply depots set up for distribution.	
0330			0230	Tele	48: Commenced laying mines 0230.	
0600			0545	Tele	G-2: Enemy attack on Hatten at 0545 with Inf, tks, and flame throwers.	ST
0630	0700		0545	Tele	G-3: Attack in Hatten under control. Forced to give up four houses.	
0335		97		Radio	3-315: Some S/A fire after demonstration intermitting mortar and arty fire. Vehicular movement in vicinity of church everything under control.	S F
0405		98	0400	Radio	3-315: Some eny S/A fire. Harrassing mortar and arty fire. Some vehicular mvmt beyond church.	S F
0526		99	0500	Radio	3-315: Light mortar fire. Otherwise negative report for past hour	S F
	0600	100	0600	Tele&Rad	48, 68, and 3-315: Enemy atk on Hatten about 0545 with Inf, Tks and flame throwers	S F T
0627		101	0627	Radio	3-315: Vehicle mvt and voices heard in vic of church.	S F
	0700	102	0700	Tele&Rad	48, 68, and 3-315: Attack by fire will commence at 0815 this morning.	SFT
0712		103	0710	Radio	3-315: Veh activity vicof church, tks and S/A fire rec'd from same.	SF
	0750	104	0750	Tele	3-315, 48 and 68: Follow atk by fire with probing patrols. Etc.	SFT
	0950	105	0950	Ln Off	48, 68 and 3-315: Maint sect of tk cos, etc	SFT
	1030	106	1030	Ln Off	48, 68, and 3-315: There are indication of reinforcement of Rittershoffen from NE, etc	SFT
0800	1130			Oral	Meeting of Ln off and Ex Off 68 with CO.	
	1530		1555	Tele	Div Arty: Ask that either 5 or 6 drop by CP this afternoon.	S
1534			1440	Tele	CCR: eing counterattacked by estimated Bn strength at 1440 from E. Tks and inf. At 1535 attack being pressed hard.	STDMF
	1545		1530	Tele	3-315, 48 and 68: Notified of C/A on CCR CG, TF Wahl, 14th div & CO 315 Inf visited CP	ST
1550	1630					
1730	1745		1730	Tele	500: Intercept from Ln 0. rptd enemy vehicles moving swiftly into Rittershoffen	SDT



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Organization Hq. SCAR, 14th Arm'd Div APO 446From: 150001 January 1945To : 152400 January 1945Place: Kuhlendorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	1315 1750		1315	Oral Tele	Operations instructions #22 issued orally 48, 68, 3-315: Defensive fires remain the same as for night 14-15 January 1945.	S F T S F T
1640		108	1620	Radio	3-315: Having hvy arty and mortar fire present by 155mm gun, etc.	S F D
1630		109	1630	Tele	68: AT 1625 beginning prep ration for strong defensive system for night.	S
1735		110	1700	Radio	68: Used arty to stop small patrol of enemy infiltrating. Enemy destroyed.	S D
1930		110	1845	Ln O	3-315: Mine field are dangerous, destroyed one medium tank	S D
2115		111	2045	Ln O	48: Tank that hit mine in out was medium	S D
	2200	112	2200	Ln O's	48, 3-315, and 68: Operations Instructions #23 issued.	SDTF



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Organization: 14th Arm Div APC 446

From: 160001 January 1945

To : 162400 January 1945

Place: Neiderbetschdorf, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0809					0-94: Patrol occupied OP at 15843448	S
	1145	113	1145	Ln Off	3-315: Time of 8" Howitzer	TSF
1200	XXXX	118	1050	Ln Off	3-315: In reply to message of 0950 will not give premission to fire 8" How.	TSF
	1215	114	1215	Ln Off	3-315: Cancelled of 8" howitzer firing	TSF
1400		115	1330	Tele	68: Steeple on church has been completely demolished.	SF
	1430		1500	Oral	48 & 62: 1 med plat and 1 plat B-62 and detachment of engr's ordered tomkoe demonstration N of Rittershoffen.	SFT
1615	1545		1615		Gen Smith, Gen Wahl, Col Gillespie and Col Shriber visited CP	
					CP vic Kuhlendorf hit by bomb by Jet Propelled German plane	
	1930	116	1900	Ln O	Operatio s Instructions #24 issued to Ln O and Comdrs.	FTSD
2030	2030				CP closed Kuhlendorf and opened Neiderbetschdorf at 2030.	TD



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Organization: 14th Armored Div APO 446

From: 170001 January

To : 172400 January

Place: Weidertschdorf, P

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0400				Tle	G-125: 250 yd gap cleared in mine field for A-48	ST
	0620			Ln O	Ln Officer 3-315 and 68 departed for CP 315 Regiment.	
0700				Tele	3-315: B-co has reached edge of town	S
	0745				4 MPs sent to 315 regiment.	
0830				Tele	315: B Co had a lodgement in Rittershoffen Resistance intense.	
0915		119		Tle	A & C-48: Rpted large volume friendly S/A to North.	SD
0915		120	0915	Msgr	48: No change.	
0940	1000				CG 79th Inf Division visited CP	
0945		121	0945	Msgr	48: A-48 sees large volumes of S/A etc.	SDT
1000		122	0950	Msgr	48: Situation 3-315 in Rittershoffen very static.	SF
1010		123	1005	Msgr	48: 1-315 have a few houses at Pt #3. 68 adv elms are between pts 12 and 6.	SFD
1015		124	1010	Msgr	48: A-48 awaiting situation to clear at point #3. B & C no change.	SF
1045			1045	Tle	CCB: Tk patrol reached phase line E	S
1120			1120	Tele	CCB: Asks one tps 165350. Our rpts kraut Inf 172344.	S
			1130		A-48 will atk from N and clear street to form a junction w/68. Co A 315 will atk w/ A-48 and secure that portion of town (Section A) make junction w/68. Maj Gavin to coord atk.	
	1235		1235	Tele	48: Withdraw Wilson force to safe distant to protect itself but only just enough for safety.	ST
1230				Tele	68: Sniper fire becoming less in intensity Approaching check point #6.	
1235			1224	Tele	48: 1 tk just fired on bldg near church. Ey tk painted white in vicinity of rptd strong pt at 169348.	
1247			1247	Tele	48: 2 med tks w/68 knocked out by bazooka No casualties.	
	1345		1345	Ln Off	G-94: Ordered to run N edge FORET DE HAGUE-NAU between 16 and 17 eastings.	STD
1410			1410	Msgr	48: Check mines removed by tankers via 158346. A-48 & A-315 moving S on Rittershoffen intense arty and small arms. Further delay in getting the atk under way finally started 1405.	ST
	1415		1415	Tele	48: Tell A-315 to proceed as planned. A-48 both sunrises, your and the other units, insist that attack go as planned. Move at once.	



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Organization: CG "A", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 170001 January 1945

To : 172400 January 1945

Place: Neiderbetschdorf, Fr.

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1450			1430	File	48: Wilson Force: Arty and mortars heavy A-Co: Mortar fire intense, able to move very slowly. Fire wagon now in use. Firing AG and mortar behind check points 15 and 23 have clearance 3-315.	
1515			1515	Tele	48: On N rpts some smoke 800 yds to front tks have gone into wood w/inf getting every thing that kraut has. Lost 1 tk to SP or tk 5 vehicles (tk) overwatching opening in mine field.	
1550		126	1533	Msgr	48: A-48, A/315 rpts can not determine exact situation as entire area in obscured by smoke, dust and firing.	TDS
	1650		1650	Msgr	All Units: All remaining parts of A & B Co 315 will be infiltrated into N end of town Rittershoffen immediately after dark and both cos will stay. 2 tks A-48 will remain attached to 1-315. Remainder of A-48 withdraw to last night's positions at once.	
	1740		1740	Tele	315: Night defensive fires for 315 to be coordinated thru 79 Div Arty. Also coordinated with available mortar fire	
	1756	127	1756	Tele	CG 14 AD: CCA patrols ran N edge woods. No contact with 242 except Bn CP	DS
1845			1845	Tele	CG called and directed trip wires, booby traps, etc. Issued in OI #25.	DSTF
	1815		1815	Tele	CG 14th AD: Informed of summary of days fighting.	S
1909	1920		1909	Tele	TF Wahl asked location of sedan loaded with explosives.	
1930			1930	Msgr	C-125: CO ordered to rpt to 315 Regt CP to give technical advice re AP mines.	
2000	2200		2200	Oral	Operations Instructions #25 issued to Ln O's	DSTF



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Organization: 14th Armored Div AL 446

From: 180001 January 1945

To : 182400 January 1945

Place: NIEDERBETSCHDORF, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0915			0915	Tele	6th Arty Gp: Inquired wheter white vehi- cles on N edge of RITTERSHOFFEN were friend	S
	0920			Tele	6th Arty GP: Informed no white CCA vehi- cles in that location.	ST
	0925		0925	Tele	315: Any contact been made with B-315. Answer: Noe ontact.	ST
			0930		C/S 14th Arm'd Div visited CP	
	0945	129		Ln O	All units: CCB patrol, etc.	STF
1010		130	1010	Msgr	315: 68th AIB relieved attachment 1-315 1100 18 Jan.	STF
1015					All units: No fire line lifted at RITTERS- HOFFEN. Fires in that vic must clear with through 310.	ST
1145					CG 14th AD visited CP: Reaffirmed orders for establishment of tank stalking teams.	ST
1300				Tele	315: Sitrep no change.	S
1340		131	1340	Msgr	TF WAHL: Msg re explosive car.	STF
1331			1331	Tele	68: Reports church in town no longer oc- cupied by enemy and 3-315 reported to have killed 7 ey behind church.	SDF
	1343		1343	Tele	C-125: CO ordered to reporte to CP	ST
	1341		1341	Tele	48: CO ordered to report to CP	ST
1345			1345	Tele	315: 315 and 68 report occupying bldgs N and W of church and plan to attack.	SD
	1410		1410	Tele	48: Alerted to move on 5 minutes notice. Prevent ey withdrawal from RITTERSHOFFEN.	ST
1610		132	1500	Msgr	315: Sitrep for period ending 1500.	SDF
	1540	128	1540	Msgr	CG 14th AD: Statement by Company Comdr A-315.	
	1543		1543	Tele	315: CO CCA suggested to 315 that B-315 be atchd to 68.	
1545	1555				CG TF WAHL visited CP	
	1600		1600	Tele	48: Removed from alert status	ST
	1612		1612	Tele	48: Realerted to 5 minute alert as result of report of 15 ey tks at 15953405.	ST
	1645		1645	Tele	48 and 315: Be alert for eney action to- night. Organize a tight defense plan.	
1745			1745	Tele	G-3 14th AD: CO meeting at 2000 at Adv CP	
2100	1920				CO left CP returing at 2100.	
2045		133	2045	Ln O	48: C-48 3 missions executed, etc.	STF



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From: 190001 Jan 45

To: 192400 Jan 45

Place: NEIDERRITSCHBOFF, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1803				Tele	GCB: Reported 25 alerted to move to another sector.	
	1815		1815	Tele	48: 1 co med tks on alert status for possible passage to Division control on receipt of further orders.	ST
	1815		1815	<del>7/6/6</del> Ln O	G-125: Bn prepared to move out as an Inf Co on short notice on receipt of further orders. This is not an alert.	ST
	1815		1815	Ln O	C-94: Detached from 48 immediately. Dne to probability of passage to Division or Squadron control. C-94 to be ready to move on short notice.	ST
	1830		1830	Ln O	48: A-48 frozen in present location effect per verbal instruction of G-3 14 AD	ST
	1915	140		Tele	G-3, 14th AD: Everyone will take special cautions, etc.	ST
	2130	141		Ln O	OI #27 issued to staff & Ln Officers.	SFD
	2300	142		Ln O	G-3 14th AD: Reported on patrols sent out by 68.	
2400				Ln O	48: A-48 closed with TF LUCAS vic HOH-WILLER.	



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From: 190001 January 1945

To : 192400 January 1945

Place: NIEDERBRANTSCHDORF, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0700			0700	Tele	G-3 14th AD: Attack houses in front of an SFT line in RITTERSHOFFEN to determine enemy resistance. Inf light, use Reserve Co, and attack to take town. (48 & 68 notified).	
0725			0725	Tele	G-3 14th AD: Inquired as to effect of rain and warmer weather on standing for tanks	
	0728		0728	Tele	48: Asked re: standing for tanks	ST
0755				Tele	315: Reports strong ey C/Atk via HATTEN, Div Arty is firing emergency concentrations E, N, and W of HATTEN. One SP reported nosing out into RITTERSHOFFEN from E. Notified 48th.	ST
	0800		0800	Tele	CO 48 ordered to reported to CP	
0805			0805	Tele	CG 14 AD: Ordered CCA to be prepared to assist CCR	
	0808		0808	Tele	48: Alerted to move around S flank	ST
	0815			Tele	CCR: CO CCA made mutual arrangements with CO CCR for use of 48 if necessary.	S
0820		135		Ln O	68: Message from 315.	
	0845	134	0840	Ln Off	48 and 315: Ordered to push patrols out	STF
	0900		0900	Tele	All Units: Warned against bogging vehicles in frozen ground.	ST
0945			0930	Ln O	14th AD: Rpts at 0930 HATTEN atk quieting down. 47 tks covering rd S from HATTEN. Atk came from E.	
1001				Tele	315: Mortars of 315 used to assist against ey atk on HATTEN firing particularly in drw E RITTERSHOFFEN. 315 calling for little arty because of greater need at HATTEN.	
1100	1005				CO left CP to visit 315 and 48.	
	1109			Tele	All Units: Instructions issued to report condition of blackout lights by 1600.	
1310	1315				CG 14th Armored Division visited CP.	S
	1300	1300		Ln O	All Units: Issued order for limited Opns NW of RITTERSHOFFEN commencing at 1430. 1 plat 48 to attack area northern edge of town by fire along with arty barrage. Upon lifting of fire approx 15 a reinf patrol from 68 will move N to exploit the attack by fire.	
1545	1430				CO CCA left CP to CP NW of RITTERSHOFFEN to observe operations.	
1600		136	1600	Radio	C-125: Demolition vehicle has been returned to 304 Engrs.	S
	1700	137	1700	Ln O	C-94 and 48: Effect immed one plat C-94 atchd to 48.	STF
	1700	138	1700	Ln O	C-125 and 48: Effect immed one plat C-125	



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Organization HQ "C" 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 200001 January 1945

To : 202400 January 1945

Place: NIEDERBETSCHDORF &amp;

SURBOURG, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
	0850			Tele	COB: Reminded that M4A3 T8 type med tk are in the area and care should be taken not to fire on them.	
0940				Tele	G-3 14th AD: Ordered one prisoner taken today.	
	0945			Tle	315: Ordered to take at least one prisoner today.	
1100	1014				CO CCA left CP to visit units.	
1243				Ln O	G-3 14th Armd Div: A-48 and C-94 return to CCA control effective immediately.	
320					CO CCA called from TF Wahl order COs, 62, 48, C-94, C-125 and arty representative and MP representative assemble CCA CP at 1445. Biv parties assemble CCA CP 1445. Chains on all wheeled vehicles. A-48 will relieve 47 elms S of RITTERSHOFFEN. S-3 to go to Div CP 1400. Rcn for CP CCA SURBOURG. All units notified at 1330.	
	1430			Tele	48: 48 representative to 47 CP to effect relief.	
	1600	143		Ln Off	OI #28 issued orally to COs, Staff & Ln Off	SFTD
	1700			Ln Off	C-94 & 48: Effect immed one plat C-94 attached to 48.	
	1700			Ln Off	C-125 & 48: Effect immed one plat C-125 attached to 48.	
	1730			Tele	315: Daisy chains and additional mines to be placed across roads upon withdrawal.	
1430				Tele	315: Bismark will close at 0600 tomorrow and check out with CP upon passing through CP opened SURBOURG.	
2016			2015	Ln O	C-68 relieved and dispatched to thier assy area.	
2135				Ln O	C-68 relieved and dispatched to their assy area.	
			2205	Ln O	827 & 813: Arrangements completed to assemble TD's in NIEDERBETSCHDORF and to have their CO contact CO 48 to make plans for their employment. Alternate assembly point Surbourg.	
	2210			Ln O	C-125: CO C-125 given detailed plans for action in re; rear guard action for 21 Jan	
	2215			Oral	MP Officer: Instruction to obtain CCA route to WILSIWHEIM from HAGUENAU also to keep liaison with traffic section in Surbourg.	
2315			2315	Tele	G-3: Reported 500 would be with us in rear guard action accompanying CCA to assy area	ST
	2335			Oral	48: Inform your personnel to expect ey atk as soon as blocking detachments have passed thru you. If Rittershoffen has been evacuated early as reported, there may be	



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Organization Hq. "C" 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 200001 January 1945

To : ~~202400 January 1945~~

Place: ~~Surbourg, France~~

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
					Cont'd 48: immediate follow up from that direction. If not already done establish contact with 242 Inf along edge of woods to S and watch for infiltration around R flank. If wire communication is not re-established promptly report important developments by radio. Requesting this hq to switch the 506 net to voice if necessary. With return of Ln O give report of progress of withdrawal from Rittershooffen. Movement is now about four to five hours behind schedule.	



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Organization Wp CC "A", 14th Armd Div APO 446From: 210001 January 1945To : 212400 January 1945Place: Surbourgwilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0410				Ln 0	500: Closed position at 0410.	
0430			0400	Ln 0	68 and 3-315 cleared.	
0520					CG TF WAHL visited CP.	
	0706			Ln 0	62: Released and commenced withdrawing to protect E flank thru HAGUENAU Forest	STD
	0710		0710	Radio	G-94: Ordered to move out.	ST
0745				Ln Off	Hq & A-62 passed RJ Surbourg	
	0750			Ln 0	500: Ordered to "March Order" and withdraw to the South.	ST
	0845			Radio	48: Ordered to commence withdrawal from station to station	ST
			0920		125 continue to improve RJ Surbourg. Co will join ctm in front of 1st tks 48.	
			0945		CP CCA closed Surbourg	
			1030		CP CCA opened vic 074330	
1100				Tele	68: Closed in assembly area.	
1130				Ln 0	G-94: Closed in assy area.	
1240		145		Radio	48: C-Co just passed IP	
1413		145		Radio	48: A-Co cleared H at 1400	
1430		147	1430	Radio	500: Rear CP at ALTENHEIM	
	1600				Orders issued to troops concerning future mission and training during rest period	
	1830		1830	Tele	G-3 14 AD: CCA closed in area 1800 except for stragglers.	



From: 220001 January 1945  
To : 222400 January 1945  
Place: Wilwisheim, France



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Organization Hq. C-62, 14th Armd Div APC 46

From: 230001 January 1945

To : 232400 January 1945

Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1135	0900				CO to visit 62 and 48 and Div	
1200					48 & 62: Switch of tank-inf co complete	
					C-62 to 48 and B-48 to 62.	
1255	1334	148	1334	Ln Off Tele	All Units: Camouflage all vehicles by 1600 62: B-48 closed in area.	SFT S



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Organized on W: "CUG", 14th Arm'd Div APO 6

From: 240001 January 194

To : 242400 January 194

Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1210	1100				CO left to reconnoiter routes in and around Hochfelden.	
1418	1315				CO left for Division briefing.	
	1655	194	1655	Ln O	CG 14: Recommending barges over Rhine and Marne be destroyed in event of further withdrawal.	
	2130	150	2130	Ln O	62 & 48: Rcn in preparation of plans est	STF
	2315	151	2300	Ln O	62 and 48: Rcn in preparation of plans 1 thru 3.	STF



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Organiz on Hq. CCA. 14th Armd Div APC 46

From: 250001 January 1945

To : 252400 January 1945

Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0745			0745	Tele	G-3 14 AD: CCA alerted to move to vicinity of Mommenheim.	ST
0830			0830	Tele	G-3 14th AD: C-125 attached to CCA	ST
	0840			Oral	GO C-125: Attach one plato n to each 48 and 62 immediately.	ST
	1640			Ln O	48: Move to vic LUPSTEIN at once	ST
	1400		1400	Tele	B-48 atchd 62 moves to Wilwisheim. Closed 1630.	
			1415		Unit Commanders meeting.	
1425				Tele	G-3 14 AD: Removed from 30 min alert and placed on two hour alert.	ST
	1415			Oral	48 & 62: Reconnoiter to WYERSHEIM to include that area.	
			1730		CG 14th Armd Div.	
1730				Tele	48: Closed in vic LUPSTEIN	
1800			1800	Tele	G-3 14 AD: C-94 attached to CCA	ST
	1845	152		Ln O	62 & 48: CG VI Corps has indicated probability of CCA employment, etc.	STF
	1855	153	1855	Ln O	C-94: Upon receipt of mission to o/atk, etc	STF
	1855			Ln O	Ln Off (Capt Armstrong) sent to 103 Div in re: Dispositions, reinforcing arty support in event of atchmt of an arty bn to this command. Also what support they could give in an attack to the east.	
	1900			Oral-	62 & 48: Ordered to make ren in vic of Menchhoffen and Zutgendorf with for atk toward Mulhausen.	
	1855			Ln O	C-94: Ordered to make ren of area Zutzen- dorf, Menchhoffen, etc, for location of friendly and ey lines. One plat C-94 atchd to 62 and 48.	ST
1950				Tele	G-3 14 AD: 500 atchdd to CCA.	
			2000		Unit commanders meeting CCA CP	
	2215			Tele	G-3 14 AD: 500 rd clearance for 500 from Div thru corps.	ST



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Organiz. Loc. Hq. 64000, 14th Armd Div APO 46

From: 260001 January 1945

To : 262400 January 1945

Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
0100				Oral	C-94: Informed of mission.	
0200				Ln 0	C-94: Closed Wilwisheim.	
0400				Ln 0	500: Closed Lixhausen.	
0600				Tele	G-3 14th AD: Cmd on 30 min alert status	ST
0715	0715			T le	G-3 14 AD: Unit now on 2 hour alert (All troops notified.)	ST
0900					C-125: Clearing rds for traffic	
1100				Tele	500: To reinforce fires of 103 & Corps Arty (Msg originated from Corps)	
	1300	154	1300	Ln 0	500: To conduct short arty school for inf-tank and cav personnel.	
1430	1315				C0 left CP for Division briefing	
1629				Ln 0	500: CP at 820275 (Uttwiller)	STD
	1900			Ln 0	C-125: Plats with 62 and 48 ordered to return to C-125 270900 Jan 45	



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Organization Hq CC"A", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 270001 January 1945

To : 272400 January 1945

Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1105	0900				C0 left CP for 62.	
1410	1245				C0 left for Division Briefing	
1600			1000	Tele	C*125: Platoons atchd to 62 and 48 closed in area 1000.	S
	1510			Oral	C-94: Ordered to make run of Menohhoffen and Zutendorf left at 1600.	
1530				Oral	79th Div: Coordina ion effected with off representative of 79th Div relative to security in CCA assembly area as a part of 79th Inf Div area.	ST



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Organization Hq CC "A", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 290001 Janury 1945  
To : 292400 January 1945  
Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1105	1015				CO left CP for 4h. CO left for Division Briefing. A-136 and C-125 Gen Wahl, Ass't Div Comdr 79th visited CP for the purpose of decorating CO with Bronze Star	
1531	1315					
1535	1545					



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 Organization Hq CG "A", 14th Armd Div APO 446

From: 300001 January 1945  
 To : 302400 January 1945  
 Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1100	1150				Unit Commanders meeting: All comdrs directed to pay close attention to tng and tng schedules. All units warned to keep vehicle mobile. Morning starting of motors and moving of vehicles directed. Flame throwers on tks to be used in short bursts. Plan for c/atk in 06 Z discussed. CG 14 AD: Re: 48 Tn Bn weldin cleats on tk tracks. 62 AIB making of white cages CO left CP for division briefing	
	1130		1030	Ln 0		
1418	1315					



Place: Wilwisheim, France

TIME		SER NO.	TIME DTD.	HOW SENT OR REC'D	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT					
1100	0850				S-3 left for CCB	
1415	1315				CO & Executive Officer left CP for Division Briefing.	